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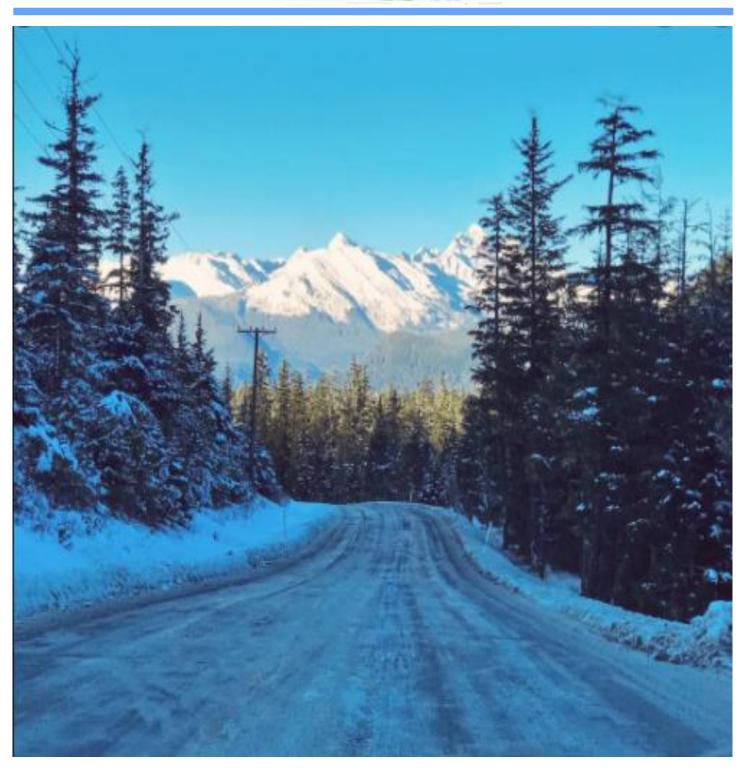


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## **2021 DATES TO REMEMBER**

DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
Jan		Colorado Retiree Luncheon	CANCELLED
Feb TBD		Colorado General Membership & Planning Meeting	Zoom Meeting
Mar 23rd - 28th	NA	FCRV International Retiree Rally	Mineola Civic Center, Mineola, TX
Apr TBD	NA	Colorado Field Staff Meeting Dependent on COVID 19	TBD
May 13th - 16th	NA	Colorado Spring Fling Dependent on COVID 19	Morgan County Fairgrounds, Brush,
Jun TBD	NA	Colorado Retiree Rally Dependent on COVID 19	
Jul 11th - 16th	NA	2021 International Campvention	Walworth County Fairgrounds, Elkhorn, WI
Sep TBD	NA	Southern Colorado Retiree Rally	Pueblo South KOA, Colorado City, CO
Oct TBD	NA	Colorado Fall Campout	TBD

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## EMBERS CUT OFF DATES

Jan - Feb Dec 15th Mar - Apr Feb 15th May - Jun Apr 15th Jul - Aug Jun 15th

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### **In Remembrance**

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Marlin Hunter—Oct 7, 2020
Member of the Hi Country Campers in Colorado
We extend our sympathy to Richard and their family.

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#### Mile High Gypsies

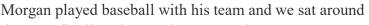


September found us at one of our favorite campgrounds, Chatfield State Park. 6 families camped together, 4 members and 2 guest families. We made this a 3 day

weekend and thoroughly enjoyed it. We could have done without the smoke from the north forest fires. It followed down along the mountain range, spilling over into the campground on one of the days.

One of our 'guests' was Penelope, the baby pig. She came with one of our guest families and was an

excellent guest. Being the runt of the litter, she had plenty of special attention, being bottle fed, wrapped in her blanket and held by the fire. She was a very quiet guest.



the campfire listening. to the game. They won their game and Morgan both pitched and caught, playing a good game..

Congratulations Morgan.

He and his team mate, Cody, came camping after the game. It was now time for them to pump up their paddle boards and hit the water. Evening dinner came too fast for them to get much water time in.





A lot of fishing was going on with some good sized fish being caught. Some of the adults enjoyed time on the reservoir in the boat. Others enjoyed the sunshine, sitting together, visiting. It seems forever since we'd seen each other. It was the first campout of the year for some of us. Some of the adults played Skip-bo and Ladder ball was fun, as were other various games.

One source of entertainment was watching the young deer come wandering into our area. After grazing awhile, it laid down by the rest room for about an hour. It seemed almost too tame to be by itself.

One family attended Fall Statewide the first weekend of October and had a nice time. This capped off the camping season for most of us. Our next get together will be our planning meeting November 7th. We're looking forward to a better camping season next year.

Submitted by Jan Johnston

### **Rolling Springs**



We ventured to Hasty Colorado and John Martin Reservoir for the long Labor Day weekend. Four days of warm weather, little did we know the weekend temperatures would top out a 108Degrees. We were out in the mornings and by afternoon we were headed to the building. We could spread out, go visit the pylogyficts, drive to Lamar for shopping and got to meet several of the locals that spent their time trying to break into our truck that the keys were locked in. We ate lots of ice cream and had a great birthday surprises for one of our members. What a great adventure we had!!

October we were cozy in Grape Creeks RV in the spectacular views of the valley.



Friday night we ate dinner at Tony's Pizza in Silvercliffe. Good food and great staff. We were visiting with a young man and his 18 month old son in the campground, come to find out Matt is the new Fire chief.

On Saturday a couple of our members took a guided tour of the Westcliffe fire station. It was very interesting.

We had a German Oktoberfest. The campground hosts even dressed up and joined us for Happy Hour. We had a grand time. We will be back Westcliffe to see you again.







Submitted by Candy Furnish

### **Trailblazers**

What fun we had at Boyd Lake in August! Yes, it was hot, but we still managed to have a great time. Our hosts, Larry and Sue Menke and Dave and Daphne Turner, did an outstanding job with their Hawaiian themed campout. Every evening there was an activity related to Hawaii. We had a trivia contest, Hawaiian Pictionary, and a game of "Toss the Flip-Flop Through a Ring".

The hosts also posed questions for the group:" What has been the highlight of your summer? And What has gotten you through Covid?"

Several ladies in the group got together and performed a "hula" as the before dinner entertainment. Thank you to Evy Jones, Joyce Lueder, Cordelia Rau, and yours truly. We had a lot of fun improvising (we did practice!) and we enjoyed making everyone laugh!

Our hosts provided an exceptional evening meal for everyone. On the menu were Spam Sliders (absolutely delicious), a macaroni salad, coleslaw, and dessert. The dessert was in keeping with the Gummy Lifesaver, "riding the waves"! Very creative! And did you know that Hawaii consumes 7 million cans of Spam a year?

Several members took a morning and explored the Benson Sculpture Garden in Loveland. What beautiful art work!

Also, a thank you to Wayne Fiedler and Don Nord. One of our members lost a hearing aid (came out when he took his mask off). Wayne was able to narrow down the search area using Bluetooth and Don found the hearing aid. Thank goodness for technology!

Our September Campout takes us to the Colorado City KOA. We're all looking forward to getting together again!

#### Submitted by Cathy Vegvary







OOPS Group

For our last campout, the group held a Halloween themed event at Cherry Creek State Park and included a Murder Mystery Dinner. A great way to end the camping season!























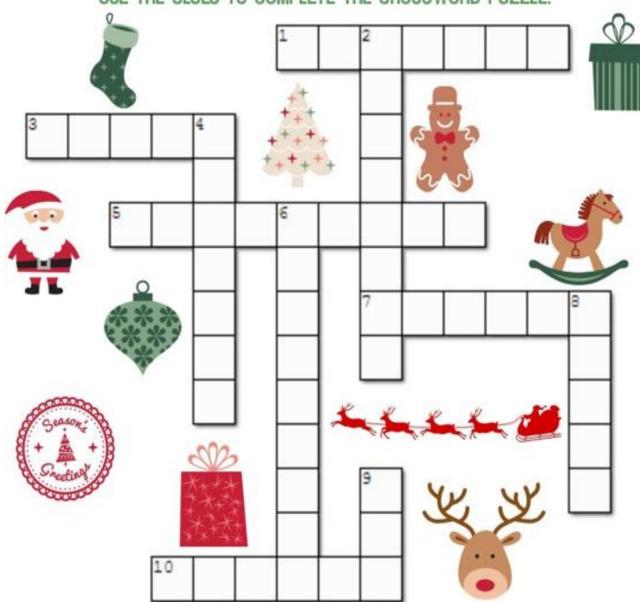






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- 3. Santa's Helpers
- 5. December 25th is \_\_\_\_\_.
- 7. Christmas Drink
- 10. The name of a popular snowman.

#### Down

- 2. Christmas Month
- 4. He hates Christmas!
- 6. You hang them by the chimney.
- 8. On Christmas morning we unwrap our

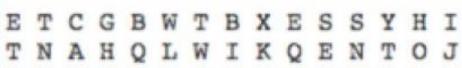
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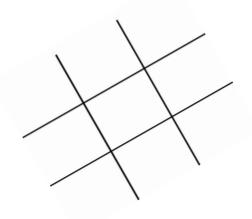


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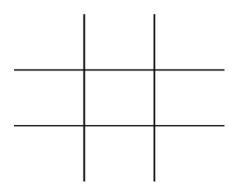


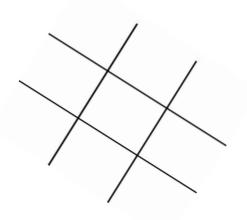


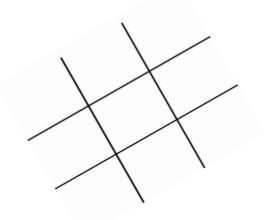
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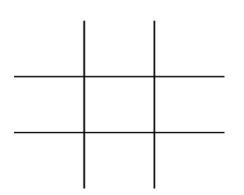


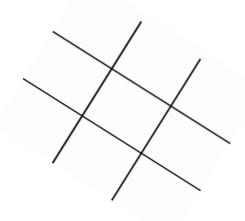
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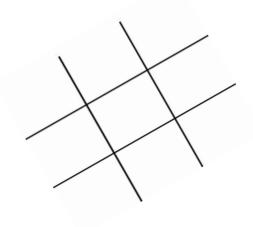


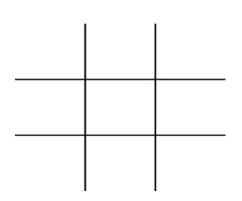


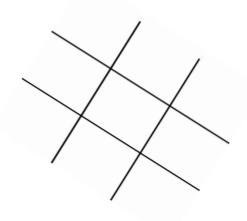












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